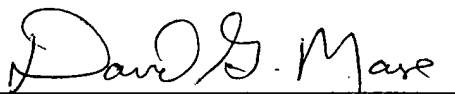


REMARKS

A revised "AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS" section is submitted herein in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. Entry of the amendment filed on 10/23/03 with this resubmitted claims section is respectfully requested.

Reconsideration of the application and allowance of claims 7-13 and 24-33 are respectfully requested. The undersigned attorney is available at the Examiner's convenience should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would be helpful to discuss any issues remaining unresolved by this amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David G. Maire". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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